

9. (New) The cleaning method according to claim 5, wherein the basic solution is an aqueous solution of ammonia or ammonium salt, or an aqueous solution of alkali metal hydroxide, or a mixture of the aqueous solution of ammonia or ammonium salt and the aqueous solution of alkali metal hydroxide.

A6 10. (New) The cleaning method according to claim 4, wherein the basic solution is pure water or ultrapure water in which alkaline gas is dissolved.

11. (New) The cleaning method according to claim 5, wherein the basic solution is pure water or ultrapure water in which alkaline gas is dissolved.

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#### REMARKS

The amendments to the claims removes all multiple dependent claims without changing the scope of coverage.

The amendment to page 1 inserts the Section 120 requirement.

The amendments to pages 22 and 23 are the obvious correction of an obvious error because the specification does not disclose an Example 5.

The amendment to the drawing is supported by the disclosure on page 21, line 1.